

STATE OF WASHINGTON Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction

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Dear Educators:

Thank you for your participation in our 2013 Great Washington ShakeOut. Registration figures show that 515,993 faculty and students from 614, K-12 schools and districts helped make this the largest earthquake drill in Washington State's history. Congratulations - last year's total was just over 430,000.



As you may remember, Target stores partnered with us this year by providing gift cards to be given out to schools. Congratulations to the following schools that were selected, in a random drawing, to receive a \$100 gift card.

- 1. Berney Elementary School, Walla Walla
- 2. Catharine Blaine K-8, Seattle
- 3. Creekside Elementary School, Sammamish
- 4. Faith Lutheran, Redmond
- 5. Life Center/Life Christian Academy
- 6. Meridian High School, Bellingham
- 7. Midland Elementary School, Tacoma
- 8. North Pines Middle School, Spokane
- 9. Olympia High School, Olympia
- 10. Puesta del Sol Elementary School, Bellevue

As part of the drill we challenged you to '<u>do one more thing'</u>. With winter upon us and the unpredictability of Mother Nature we encourage you to discuss with staff and remind parents and students of your school's plans and procedures.

Extreme weather will most likely cause school closures and/or bus delays. Whether you're at home or school knowing what to do and having a plan will help reduce the stress often associated with weather delays.

Take time now to review the State's school web links:

- http://www.emd.wa.gov/preparedness/prep_schools.shtml
- http://www.k12.wa.us/safetycenter/

For your calendars:

2014 - Great Washington ShakeOut
Earthquake Drill - Drop, Cover, & Hold On
October 16, 2014
10:16 a.m.